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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the complete patent application of S. Ananda Weerawarna of Seattle, Washington and Richard A. Jewell of Tacoma, Washington, entitled METHODS FOR MAKING CARBOXYLATED CELLULOSIC FIBERS.

- X 1. An application consisting of 23 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure is attached.
- X 2. A newly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- X 3. An Assignment of the invention to Weyerhaeuser Company is enclosed, together with a Recordation Cover Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.31.

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Basic Fee							750
Total Claims	25 - 20	=	5	X	18	=	90
Independent Claims	2 - 3	=	0	X	84	=	0
	TOTAL						\$840

- 4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the application fee of \$840.00 and any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 23-1480**. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.
- X 5. A filing date in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 is requested. The Express Mail Certificate appears below.

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